

What's New at your Police Department

By Lt. Buzz Griffeth

Summer has almost ended, but effective August 1, 2005, your new Community Relations Office is just heating up. Yes folks, you now have a full time Community Relations/Resource office in your Police Department. Your department is preparing to revitalize some old programs and amaze you with some new programs.

Your Community Relations/Resource officer will serve as a public education officer and community liaison with the Alamo Heights Police Dept. and our residential and merchant communities. This office is responsible for providing and/or coordinating community based projects with a focus on residential and business security. This officer will provide leadership, guidance, training and development to department personnel to ensure that the entire department, through an informed process, supports crime prevention and community relations.



SOUND GOOD SO FAR? ---- THERE'S MORE-----

- Home Inspections,
- Public Speaking to groups young and not so young,
- Victimization Counseling,
- Crime Prevention through Environmental Design,
- The D.A.R.E. program in schools who wish to have it,
- Police Youth academies,
- Animal Fairs,
- Juvenile Crime Intervention,
- Juvenile liaison to Municipal Court,
- And more!



DONE YET? ----- NOT YET!

This office will serve as a liaison to our community for all special events, parades, large organized public gatherings and all city-sponsored events.

AND!!!!!!

Since this office will be composed of a certified Police Officer, he will stand ready at all times to assist and serve his patrol brothers and sisters in their duties.



Well, I guess I have given you a lot to digest at one time, however, there is still one unanswered question left. Who is going to accomplish all these things? To this question I humbly reply, it is I! I have served our community in many different ways over the past 20 years, and I am proud to be a part of this new and innovative program. This will be most challenging but rewarding for our community. I have no doubt, that through this effort, we will forge new and lasting bonds that will strengthen our community. If I



may be of service to you or your group, please contact me at 822-6433. **SEE YOU SOON!**

In partnership with our community,
Buzz Griffeth